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b. ☐ With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box II).

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (see Box III).

4. With regard to the title,

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Box No. IV Text of the abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

A method for the preparation of a pharmaceutical particulate composition for modified release of one or more therapeutically, prophylactically and/or diagnostically active substances, the method involving spraying of a composition comprising an oily material on a solid composition in order to subject the solid composition to a controlled agglomeration process, whereby individual particles are aggregated into agglomerates in a controlled manner and a relatively small particle size and particle size distribution is obtained, the particulate composition comprising a sufficient amount of at least one release-rate modifying substance to provide a modified release of the active substance sufficient to provide duration of therapeutic, prophylactic and/or diagnostic effect of at least about 2 hours when the composition is exposed to an aqueous environment.

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